

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 and 34-37 are pending in the application. Claims 8-13 have been cancelled by this amendment. Therefore, claims 1-7, 14-18, and 34-37 are at issue.

This amendment is submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.116(a) and §1.116(b) in order to present the rejected claims in a better form for allowance or appeal. The amendment is necessary to eliminate a rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103. This amendment was not presented earlier because it was believed, and is still believed, that Amendment "A" filed on July 5, 2005 fully addressed and overcame all rejections and objections. This amendment should be entered because it places the application in better form for allowance or appeal, and the amendment does not require further searching or present any new issues.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of allowed claim 11. Accordingly, claim 1 and all claims depending therefrom are in a condition for allowance.

In particular, the Office Action of September 19, 2005 stated that claim 11 was allowed. The Advisory Action contained an obvious typographical error in stating that no claim was allowed. This inadvertent error was discussed in a telephone conversation with Examiner Cheung on February 14, 2006. Examiner Cheung agreed that the Advisory Action contained an error because the action only referred to claims 1-10, 12-18, and 34-37 as being rejected.

In view of the amendments to the claims, it is submitted that the sole rejection of claims 1-10,

12-18, and 34-37 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being obvious over Finlayson U.S. Patent No. 4,208,218 ('218) in view of Wong et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,830,945 ('945) is moot.

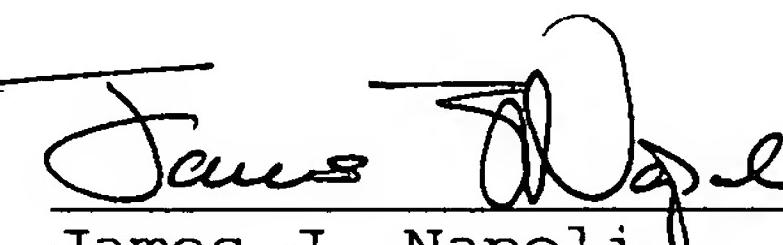
It is further submitted that all claims are in a form and scope for allowance. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the examiner wish to discuss the foregoing, or any matter of form in an effort to advance this application toward allowance, the examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned at the indicated number.

Respectfully submitted,

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